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Response to Official Action of January 26, 2006

RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS AND REJECTIONS

In response to the Official Actions dated January 26, 2006, applicant has cancelled Claims 1-12 and 14-19 with prejudice or disclaimer and amended claim 13. Furthermore, Claims 20-30 have been added to more clearly recite the applicant's novel invention.

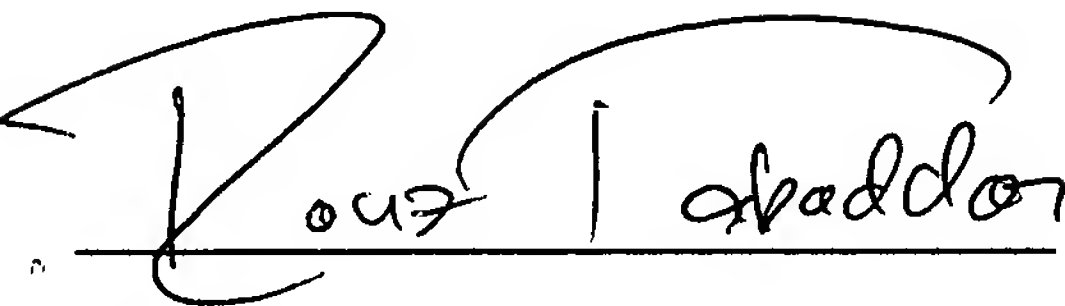
Applicant and Applicant's representative conducted a phone interview with Examiner Talbot and Primary Examiner Frida on May 24, 2006 to discuss the differences between applicant's invention and the cited references. Specifically, applicant discussed the differences between the '445 patent to Warthen and the chuck disclosed by Sanou on its website.

The Examiners indicated that the prior art failed to disclose a hand device which includes a shroud having a first portion having different diameter from a second portion which includes a chuck having a capacity of 5 mm or more. Accordingly, applicant has added this feature to each of the independent claims.

As discussed in the personal interview with the Examiner and Primary Examiner, applicant believes the cited reference do not anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention based on the features recited above. Therefore, applicant believes that Claims 13 and 20-30 are in a condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact Rouz Tabaddor, Esq. at (202) 489-7849 or at rouz@tabaddorlaw.com.

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